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Opposition No. 91237315

American Marriage Ministries

v.

*Universal Life Church Monastery Storehouse,
Inc.*

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On April 23, 2021, proceedings were suspended and Opposer was granted leave to file a supplemental notice of reliance, and ordered to file a cross-reference of all remaining exhibits to its first notice of reliance. 77 TTABVUE. On April 27, 2021, Opposer filed a supplemental Notice of Reliance and cross-reference. 78-80 TTABVVUE.¹

In view thereof, proceedings are RESUMED. The briefing dates are reset as follows:

Plaintiff's Opening Brief Due	7/31/2021
Defendant's Brief Due	8/30/2021
Plaintiff's Reply Brief Due	9/14/2021
Request for Oral Hearing (optional) Due	9/24/2021

¹ It appears that the oral cross-examination of Applicant's witness Brian Wozeniak has been concluded or waived. See 77 TTABVUE 11.

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